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Title: Need to set up a Committee to examine the global tender called by BSNL for Roll out of G.S.M. telecom network.

SHRI SURAVARAM SUDHAKAR REDDY (NALGONDA): I would like to draw the attention of the Government that BSNL has floated a global tender for roll-out of GSM Telecom network for which minimum qualification has been fixed for annual turnover of Rs. 10 crore. On the basis of this qualification any company may be awarded the contract of Rs. 15,000 crore to be completed in the next two years. It is impossible that any company worth Rs 10 crore can complete the contract of Rs. 15,000 crore within two years. It is clear indication that such a move has been made deliberately to bring failure to the Government agency and help the progress of the private sector. In the background of an allegation of a big scam of 2G & 3G allotment in Telecom Department earlier, this is causing serious concern.

I urge upon the Government through you that a high-powered committee may be constituted to examine that issue so that the tender document may be formulated in such a manner that Telecom Network could be established by BSNL and the conspiracy behind it may be unearthed. I also urge upon the Government to enquire into 2G & 3G allotment first so that there will be transparency in the dealings of Telecom Department activities.[RP84]